

**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (E.I.R.) AND
PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR THE HITACHI GLOBAL STORAGE TECHNOLOGIES PROJECT**

The project under consideration is a General Plan Amendment and Planned Development Rezoning that includes the following scope: 1) Change the site's General Plan Land Use/Transportation Diagram designation from Industrial Park to Mixed Use with No Underlying Land Use Designation, and update the General Plan's Mixed Use Inventory via a text amendment; 2) Rezone the site from Industrial Park to Planned Development to allow a mixed-use project consisting of demolition of some of the existing buildings on the site and creation of up to 2,930 residential units, 460,000 square feet of commercial space, and 3,600,000 square feet of industrial space; 3) Establish a development agreement between Hitachi and the City of San Jose to provide objectives and guidelines for the development of the site; 4) Designate one or more new Arterial and/or Major Collector roadways on the General Plan Transportation Diagram; 5) Modify the Edenvale Area Development Policy to specifically include and provide for the development of the site; and 6) Allow a maximum building height of 120 feet on the project site. File No.: GP04-02-01, GPT04-02-01(a-d), and PDCSH04-031. Council District: 2.

The proposed project will have potentially significant environmental effects on the following categories of resources: Land use, compatibility, cultural resources (historic buildings on the site), biological resources (trees), traffic, air quality, noise, and visual/aesthetic resources. The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires this notice to disclose whether any listed toxic sites are present at the project location. The project location has been identified by the California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) as a site where soil and/or groundwater contamination has occurred (DTSC site no. 43350084). DTSC has determined that the site does not require direct DTSC Site Mitigation and Brownfields Reuse Program action or oversight, but has referred the site to the Regional Water Quality Control Board for further evaluation and remediation.

The Draft EIR and documents referenced in the Draft EIR are available for review online at the City of San Jose's website: <http://www.sanjoseca.gov/planning/eir/eir.htm> and are also available in print at the following locations:

Department of Planning, Building,
and Code Enforcement
801 North First Street, Room 400
San Jose, CA 95110
(408) 277-4576
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Santa Teresa Branch Library
290 International Circle
San Jose, CA 95119
(408) 281-1879

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Main Library
150 E. San Fernando St.
San Jose, CA 95112
(408) 277-4822

The public review period for this Draft EIR begins on **Friday, March 25, 2005** and ends on **Monday, May 9, 2005**. Written comments must be received at the Planning Division by **5:00 p.m.** on Monday, May 9, 2005, in order to be addressed as part of the formal EIR review process.

Comments and questions on this EIR or the CEQA review process should be referred to Darren McBain in the Department of Planning, Building, and Code Enforcement at 408-277-8567, via e-mail at darren.mcbain@sanjoseca.gov, or by U.S. mail at the mailing address listed above. *For general information about the Hitachi project, please contact project manager Elena Lee in the Department of Planning, Building, and Code Enforcement at 408-277-5587 or elena.lee@sanjoseca.gov*

Following the close of the public review period, the Director of Planning, Building, and Code Enforcement will prepare a Final Environmental Impact Report that will include responses to comments received during the review period. Ten days prior to the public hearing on the EIR, the City's responses to comments received during the public review period will be available for review and will be mailed to those who have commented in writing on the EIR during the public review period.

A public hearing before the Planning Commission to consider certification of the Final EIR is tentatively scheduled for **Wednesday, June 8, 2005, at 6:00 PM** in the City Council Chambers at San José City Hall (801 N. First Street in San Jose).

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